The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

Dear Congressman,

I am in favor of the Merger of EchoStar and DirectTV because our rural area does not have high speed internet connections.

We have called Qwest, our phone provider and they have no future plans to upgrade our lines. On the best day, my connection speed is 24000 bps. The worst is 9600 or no access at all.

Please agree to a merger if we can have a reasonable cost of monthly internet service.

Sincerely,

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